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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-February, through Sunday, 10th-February there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* **PLEASE NOTE**: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA (Rare IOTA)

An International group, along with the Tunisian Radio Amateurs and the Engineering University of Gabes, are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to **Djerba Island (AF-083**, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), between April 29th and May 6th. The Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) is expected to receive the callsign TS8TI on March 15th. Current operators/club participants mentioned are 3V8SA (ARCS of Tunisian Scout), 3V8ST (ARC of Tunis), 3V8ESG (Department of Communications and Networking National Engeneering School of Gabès), 3V8SF (Scout Radio Club of Sfax), Leopoldo/I8LWL, Fred/IK7JWX (Team Leader), Antonello/IK2DUW (QSL Manager), Titti/IK8GQY (YL), Ferruccio/ IK8TEM, Ampelio/IS0AGY, Rosy/IW2NLC (YL), Ashraf/KF5EYY, Danny/ON4ON, Harvey/ON5SY and Pat/ON7PQ. Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and the CW, SSB, RTTY, AMTOR and PSK31 modes. They are looking for operators, sponsors and individual contributions.

5X, UGANDA (Update)

Members of the F6KOP team are now active as 5X8C until February 18th, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. The crew has been on the air since February 7th, around 1530z. Reports indicate that some individuals are seeing their QSOs confirmed via LoTW. Log is being uploaded to ClubLog. Check your QSOs at:

http://www.5x2013.com/index.php/online-log

However, the following has been added on ClubLog page: "Due to a high number of dupes made by guys trusting the online-log instead of their ears, we decided to STOP the live upload." As this was being typed, the 5X8C team has made over 23k QSO with about 9k unique callsigns. Remember, Yann, F1NGP, is their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClubLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see:

http://www.5x2013.com

6Y, JAMAICA

Yuri, VE3DZ, is once again active as 6Y2T from **Jamaica (NA-097)** until February 19th. He was active this past weekend during the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest, but he is also expected to be in the upcoming ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via VE3DZ.

7T50/7T9, ALGERIA

Members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs (ARA) will activate special event callsigns 7T9A and 7T50ARA to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Amateur Radio Association. QSL both callsigns by the Bureau or direct to: PO Box 1, Algiers RP 16000, Algeria. (NO IRCs)

8P, BARBADOS

Gerry, W1VE, will be active as 8P9RM from Barbados (NA-021) starting February 26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but with a focus on CW and the low bands. He will end his activity by being in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry using the callsign 8P1V. QSL via W1VE.

9H, MALTA

Operators Adam/DJ0IF and Mek/SP7VC will be active as 9H3RX and 9H3KK, respectively,

from Gozo Island between February 13-19th. Adam informs OPDX that he will be active as 9H3RX during the ARRL DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, Adam will be active on CW (focus on low & WARC bands). Mek will be active on SSB (all bands). QSL via their home callsigns.

9U, BURUNDI (Update)

An international team of operators from ON, PA and GM will be on the air from Bujumbura between February 14-23rd (2013). In total they will have 9 operators and four stations and airing the call- sign 9U4U. Operators currently mentioned are Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Marc/ON6CC, Luc/ON4IA, Ronald/PA3EWP, Marc/ON4AMX, Stefaan/ON4FG and Franky/ON7RU. Pilot station will be Bjorn/ON9CFG and a guest operator will be Anton/ON6NL. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies will be:

CW - 1828.5, 3503, 7003, 10123, 14033, 18083, 21033, 24903 and 28033 kHz
CW (RX) - 1833-1838/US/Overall and 1815-1820/JA; other freq. listen up
SSB - 3773, 7083, 14183, 18153, 21283, 24963 and 28943 kHz
SSB (RX) - 3805-3810/US, 3802/JA, 7187-7192/US/JA; other freq. listen up 5-10
RTTY - 7044, 10142, 14088, 18104, 21082, 24924 and 28108 kHz
RTTY (RX) - Listen Down for JA on 40m; Overall listening Up/Down

QSL Manager will be M0URX. A Web site is now online at:

http://www.9u4u.be

This DXpedition will also has a Twitter page https://twitter.com/9U4U.

Also, this Expedition is organized by the "Belgian Rockall Team". The latest press release from the 9U4U Web page as of February 9th, from the 9U4U team states:

> "All systems are go! Today we packed all gear into the suitcases and are ready to leave. The computer network was tested with 4 stations and the equipment was double checked, and properly labeled for transport, so no mistake could be made once we begin with our setup in Burundi. In total we have 21 suitcases, 23 kg each makes 483 kg, with only radio stuff. We have much more equipment than the last expedition (TN2T). Below you see the happy faces from a great team... (picture on their Web page at
>
> **http://www.9u4u.be/images/stories/global_picture.jpg**
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CUBAN IOTA DXPEDITION

Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC), a team of highly skilled island activators, will be active from the following IOTAs and callsigns to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the RRC:

T48RRC **Moa Grande Island (NA-218)** between February 11-14th
T47RRC **Coco Island (NA-086)** between February 14-16th
T46RRC **Santa Maria Island (NA-204)** between February 16-18th
T46T - **Santa Maria Island (NA-204)** during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single or Multi/2 category

Operators mentioned are Winston/CO2WF, Orelvis/CO6LC, Raúl/CO8ZZ, Yuri/ N3QQ,

Igor/UA3EDQ, Oleg/R3FA, Andy/RK7A, Sergey/RA3NAN, Alex/RW3RN, Eugene/RZ3EC and Andy/RZ3EM. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with 3 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. Their suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1831.5*, 3520, 7020, 10120, 14020, 18070, 21020, 24890 and 28020 kHz
* RX 1825/JA and 1830/EU & USA
SSB - 1842, 3790*, 7060, 14260, 18140, 21260, 24960 and 28460 kHz
* RX 3775-/3825+
RTTY (TX) - 1840.7, 3585, 7038, 10132, 14082, 18097.7, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
RTTY (RX) - 1855+, 3586+, 7039+, 10133+, 14083+, 18099+, 21083+, 24923+ and 28083+ kHz
6m - 50103/CW/beacon (RX up 2+) and 50115/SSB (RX up 5+)

An online log will be available. Three options to QSL. An OQRS will be available for both direct and Bureau QSLs. Direct QSL can be sent to: Eugene Shelkanovtcev, PO Box 70, Orel, 302028, RUSSIA (NO IRCs please). All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details, visit the Web page at:

http://cuba2013.ru

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting the following operations for DXCC credit:
** 5X8C - Uganda; Current Operations commenting in 2012
** T6BP Afghanistan; Current operation commenting 2011
T6TJ Afghanistan; Current operation commenting 2012

If you've had cards declined (except LoTW applications) please send an E-mail to **bmoore@arrl.org** to be placed on the list for an update. ** These operators have uploaded logs to LogBook of The World (LoTW).

Note: If your QSOs were only via LoTW they were not imported to DXCC since at the time of your application these were not yet approved. LoTW QSOs can be reclaimed via your next submission only.

ET, ETHIOPIA

"The Daily DX" reports that before Ken, K4ZW, heads to Juba, South Sudan (see above), he will go to Addis Ababa and activate the ET3AA club station during the second half of the ARRL DX CW Contest and again the weekend of February 2224th. ET3AA QSOs made by Ken can be confirmed by N2OO.

FM, MARTINIQUE

Ted, K7TRK, who was active as KP4/HB9WDF (Puerto Rico) and FY/HB9WDF (Kourou, French Guyana) this past week, will be active as FM/HB9WDF from Martinique between February 11-21st. Activity will be holiday style on the satellites (AO-7, FO-29, VO-52, SO-50 and others if they are active), and the HF bands on PSK-31 and sometimes SSB. QSL via K7TRK, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

FY, FRENCH GUYANA

Larry, F6FVY, will be active as FY5KE in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW, by the REF Bureau or direct to FY5KE.

GW100, WALES

Adrian, MW1LCR, will be using the special callign GW100C during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via MW1LCR. The special contest callsign is issued to celebrate 100th anniversary of the RSGB. Currently this is the only planned use of the callsign from Wales during a SSB contest.

IOTA NEWS

OC-161. Members of the YB Land DX Club are planning to activate **Nias Island** later this month (dates to bet confirmed). The team will also apply to use the YE6N callsign, which was last used in 2006 from the same island, or they may sign individual callsigns/6. More details will be forthcoming.

SA-030. Members of the South Radiogrupo (SUR) of Uruguay will be active as CV5A from **Flores Island** (WLOTA LH-0528, RGS CX-104, ARLHS URU-001) between February 21-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-6 meters. QSL via CX2ABC direct only. For more details and updates, see: **http://www.radiogruposur.org**

SA-040. Alain, F6BFH, who was active from San Andres as HK0/F6BFH this past week, and is currently active from **Providencia** as HK0/F6BFH until February 11th, will team-up with Pedro/HK3JJH and be active as HK1/F6BFH and HK1/HK3JJH from Tierra Bomba between February 13-15th. QSL via the Bureau (E-mail requests can be sent to **f6bfh@f6bfh.net**).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 11-17th)

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Feb/11th  AN      Feb/14th  AN      Feb/16th  AN
Feb/12th  AN      Feb/15th  AN      Feb/17th  AN
Feb/13th  AN
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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 NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
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AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed  Severe Storm K=6-9       100-400
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M5, ENGLAND

Operators Olof/G0CKV, Kazu/JK3GAD, Seppo/OH1VR and Oliver/W6NV will be active as M5E from the Marconi Center in Cornwall, England, (see: http://marconi-centre-poldhu.org.uk) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as Multi-2 entry. Their station will be on the bluff at Poldhu Point, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. QSL via G0CKV.

NODXA ADDS A CONDITION TO THEIR DONATION/FUNDING POLICY

The members of the Northern Ohio DX Association during their February meeting voted (after a lengthy discussion) to follow the "International DX Association's" (INDEXA) example/guideline by adding a condition that must be met by DXpeditions when requesting financial help.

As of February 1st, all DXpeditions requesting funds from NODXA will now be sent the following question/statement before the release of any funds:

> "Members of NODXA believes that funds contributed to a DXpedition should be used only for that purpose. If there is a surplus of funds after a DXpedition is completed, a refund should be made, using some logical approach, to help offset the personal expenses incurred by individual team members and/or returned to the major sponsors. NODXA is not concerned how the refunds are made, but does believe that any excess funds should not be held by the organizers for other purposes or projects. Do you agree? Yes or No"

P4, ARUBA

John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from **Aruba (SA-036)** during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). He states that this is a last minute trip. Operations outside of the contest are usually on 160/80m and 30/17/12 meters as time permits. Watch 160m on the hour and 80m on the half hour. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to the USA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 10th)
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3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY     HF2013MAX via SP3YAC       OE2013RAD via OE6RAD
3D2NB via W7YAQ           HG66MALEV via HG4I         OE2013SOU via OE3SOU
5P9X via OZ9GA            HI3TT via ON4IQ            OE2013S via OE2GEN
8P9FF via W3FF            HI8CSS via EA5GL           OE2013WMW via OE3WMW
9V1YC via W5UE            HK0/F6BFH via F6BFH        OE2013YRG via OE6YRG
AM2CRB via EA2RY          IV3CTS via YT4RA           OK8WW via OM2FY
AX6WX via VK6WX           KH0/EI2CR via EI2CR        OU2I via OZ1BII
DL60BADEN via DL7ACN      KH0/JR2UXO via JR2UXO      OU2W via OZ1ETA
DR175EDS via DF7AA        KH2/G3ZEM via M0URX        PI4YLC via PA7DW
EE8E via EB7DX            KP2/K5RZA via K5RZA        R250GS via RL2A
EG4CBA via EA4CRP         LZ969SCP via LZ1KCP        R1943SO via RL3ZZ
EH5MCB via EA5BX          NP2/N5RZ via N5RZ          YA/KB2RLB via KB2RLB
EM70LL via UX4LL          OA6Q via OE3NHW            YU313EDICT via YU1AST
EY8MM via K1BV            OE2013ASA via OE3ASA       ZZ2T via PY2MNL
FY/HB9WDF via HB9WDF      OE2013ECG via OE6ECG
HC7AE via EA7FTR          OE2013L via OE5FSL


     (e) eQSL only  (d) direct only   (B) Bureau only  (L) LoTW only
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NEW IRC INTRODUCED. The ARRL Letter reports [edited], "The Universal Postal Union has introduced the newest model of the International Reply Coupon (IRC): The Doha model -- so named for the 25th Universal Postal Congress that took place in Doha, Qatar, in October 2012 -- will replace the current model, known as the Nairobi model. Although the U.S. Postal

Service no longer sells IRCs, they are still available in other countries and post offices in the U.S. are mandated to redeem them. The Doha model IRC will be available for purchase on July 1, 2013. It is valid for exchange until the end of 2017. The Nairobi model remains valid until December 31, 2013. Read more at:

http://www.arrl.org/news/new-international-reply-coupon-introduced

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MORE QSLs MANAGED BY G3SWH. Phil, G3SWH, has also been appointed as QSL Manager for Thor's, TF4M, various operations as follows: **TF1PSN, TF1PS, TF6PS, TF7PS, TF6MM, TF1MM, 4X/TF1MM, TF1MM/YU1, 9A/TF1MM, 9A6MM, OD5/TF1MM, 4U/TF1MM, TF1MM/4L, VK8CW, 4U1ET, TF3MM and TF4MM**. There are log searches for all activities are at:

http://www.g3swh.org.uk

USPS TO SUSPEND SATURDAY MAIL DELIVERY. The U.S. Postal Service announced this past week that effective the week of August 5th, it will stop Saturday delivery of most mail, including periodicals, first-class and standard mail, which is used most often for direct-mail advertising. However, packages, mail-order medicines, priority and express mail will still be delivered on Saturdays. **ADDED NOTE:** The U.S. Congress may try to fight this! Stay Tuned!

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5P1KZX, 5X8C, A61K, A45XR, D3AA, DK0PM, DL1LQA, DL3GD, DM5BB, FK8DD, FY5PO, FY8PE, HC6EP, JA4DND, JA5TNF, JA7QVI, JF3SUL, JH0INP, LB2TB, LY7Z, MU/PA9M, NP2KW, OK2PAY, PA0MJM, PA3UL, PR8ZX, PY2FN/P, PY2XB/1, RX6LG, SM6BZV, SP7HOV, SQ7LRT, SV1ACL, TM7T, TX6BB, UA3RF, UX2KA, V5/DL3XX, VE2OJ, VE4EAR, VP2MRV, VU2NKS, YZ1AU, ZF2BJ and ZX2S

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 2O12L, 3C0C, 3W2J, 4S7NE, 5T0SP, 7O6T, 9M6/JA4DND, A92GR, C31CT, H40FN, HK3C, IS0/K7QB, J6/N7QT, JD1BMM, K8SDK/C6A/MM, OD5NJ, OJ0R, T8CW, TI8AA, UU5J, V5/DL3DXX, V63XG, VO2NS, VU3BPZ/MM, VU3BPZ/P, W7AVO/VK9L, W8XGI/KH2, YB0A, Z21BB and Z81Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: DL0FHD, TK4W, V5/DJ2HD, VK9HR and VO1/K5KG

RI1, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS

The "DX World.net" reports that Oleg, ZS1OIN (UA3HK), is the new Chief of Bellingshausen Base on King George Island, **South Shetland Islands (AN-010)**, and will be active on all bands, mostly CW, after February 12th, as RI1ANU instead of the normally used RI1ANF callsign. He plans to stay at the base until March 31st. QSL via ZS1OIN.

T2, TUVALU

Tim, NL8F, is expected to be active from Tuvalu between March 19th and April 2nd. His callsign is not yet known, but he will obtain his license upon his arrival on Tuvalu. Activity will probably be mostly SSB. QSL via K8NA.

T6, AFGHANISTAN

Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 22-24th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He mentions that this will be a limited effort; mainly from sunset to 1730z. Eric will also be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He states that activity will be mainly 20 meters (unless 15 and 10 meters is open to USA). Eric will also be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15 or 10m)/Low-Power. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see **(QRZ.com)**) direct or by the Bureau.

TI8, COSTA RICA

Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO, Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and Mauricio/TI4ZM will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK". Their operations will be on 160-10 meters. Look for operations before the contest.

TO1, REUNION ISLAND (WFF Op)

A team of operators from Reunion Island will be active as TO1PF from the UNESCO World Heritage site of "Piton de la Fournaise" [Peak of the Furnace] volcano during the following dates: February 23-24th, May 11-12th and August 3-4th. Operators mentioned are Jerome/FR1JB, Yvon/FR1GZ, Jacky/FR4NP, FR4DJ, Michel/FR4OA, FR4OM, FR4OO, François/FR4OS, FR4OU, FR4OV, FR4PE, Bruno/FR4PF, Jacques/FR4PG, Alain/ FR5CU, Patrick/FR5FC and Philippe/FR5HV. The volcano is a shield volcano on the eastern side of Reunion island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WWFF FFF-011, WLOTA 1812), with an elevation of elevation 2632m. It is currently one of the most active volcanoes in the world. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via FR1GZ.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update)

The following update was posted on February 5th, on the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition Web page [edited]:

> "Nearly all the equipment has been assembled, and most has been packed. Transportation will be by truck on February 12th. The boat (Shogun, San Diego) will be loaded on Friday, February 15th.
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> We have implemented a new domain for the expedition: **www.TX5K.org**. We have also implemented a BLOG **http://ky6r.com** (link is also on the TX5K homepage) where you can read and enter comments.
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> We have completed development and emplacing of DXA (version 2). It can be accessed by the link on the TX5K home page, or directly at **www.dxa2.org**. Until the DXpedition goes QRV, the display will be a simulation. Comments on the blog before, during, or after, are most welcome.
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> The webmaster during the DXpedition will be Rich, KY6R. Please send any news stories or other interesting information to him for possible sharing on the blog or general publicity."

V3, BELIZE

Operators Robert/K5PI (V31AT), Mark/AG9A and John/WC0W (V31TP) will compete in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry from Cahal Pech in Western Belize. They will use V31TP for the contest callsign. The trio will be in Belize between February 11-18th, so there will be operations before and after the contest. They will focus on CW and the 30/17/12 meter bands mostly. QSL to their home callsigns.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION NEWS

* Steve, WB6RSE, reports: "The 2013 Visalia Top Band Dinner will be held on April 19, 2013. There will be a buffet dinner, door prizes including a Hi-Z Antennas Hi-Z 4 level 2 (PLUS6 Amps) System and a special program: Les Kalmus, W2LK: 'ZL9HR - The Auckland and Campbell Island 160m Challenge.' Cost is 40 (USDs) per person. For further details and reservations, please see:

http://www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-topband.html

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* The 18th annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 64th annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday, April 19, 2013, in the San Joaquin Room at the Visalia Conference Center, Downtown Visalia, 303 East Acequia, Visalia, CA. See Convention Web site for details on the DX Convention:
http://dxconvention.com (Please note change of Convention site.)

This dinner is open to all who are active in the IOTA program or want to see beautiful pictures of far away islands. If you do not wish dinner, you may sit and enjoy the IOTA program following the dinner. The IOTA Programs/Speakers as of February 8th, are: Don/G3XTT and Rick/K6VVA. For complete details, see:

http://www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-iota.html

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS

Operators Urb/W1UL and his XYL Pat/W2PKV will be active as VP5/W1UL and VP5/W2PKV from **Providenciales Island (NA-002)** between March 7-13th. Look for W2PKV to operate primarily on SSB, while W1UL will be primarily on CW. Their activities will be on all bands including 6 meters. QSL both callsigns via W1UL.

XV2, VIETNAM

Operators Georg/DD8ZX, Jürgen/DH0RAK, Jürgen/DH6ICE, Bernd/ DK7TF and Zrinko (Zik)/DK8ZZ will be active as XV2DLH from Mui Ne between February 16-25th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital (PSK, RTTY) modes. QSL via DK8ZZ. Please note, logs will be uploaded daily on ClubLog Web site.

YO2013, ROMANIA (Special Event)

Members of the Sportclub of the University Transilvania Brasov (YO6KSU,) will activate the special event station YO2013EYOWF between February 16-24th. Activity is in cele- bration the "European Youth Olympic Winter Festival"

http://eyowf2013.ro

Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Three special

awards will be issued (Gold, Silver and Bronze), and the three different classes require a certain number of QSOs/bands with the event station on different days. Operators mentioned are Victor/YO6MP, Nonu/YO6FUG, Marius/YO6FTV, Lucilius/YO6FPW, Doru/YO6CHB, Adi/YO6GBD and Deszi/YO6UO. For more info, picture of the QSL and the QSL route, see **(QRZ.com)**.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Update)

Ken, K4ZW, will be returning to Juba and is expected to be active as Z81Z between February 25th and March 6th. "The Daily DX" reports that Ken is "bringing equipment for the lowbands" and will do his best to be active, but work requirements will dictate his schedule. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by LoTW.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND

Various sources report the following update (UPDATE #2) by Pierre, ZS1HF [edited]:

"David, ZS1BCE, has not been appointed as the radio technician to join the team going down to Marion Island this year.

At this stage, Carson McAfee, ZR6CWI, has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer and will spend a year on the island. He has appointed me as his QSL Manager and informs me that he will be active from May 2013 to April 2014.

No callsign has been allocated yet and at this stage he will operate SSB only. Once he returns to Cape Town and I have had time to discuss his operating and equipment requirements, I will supply more info. Until then no more info is available. Carson has just completed a year at the SANAE Antarctic Base.

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